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1. Communist China

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2. Vietnam

The Ghanaian High Commissioner in London is being sent to Peiping and Hanoi as Nkrumah's personal representative.

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There is some uncertainty about the High Commissioner's movements since he was reportedly unable to arrange air passage as planned from Moscow to Peiping. Press reports suggest he may now travel via Pakistan.

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3. South Vietnam

The Viet Cong casualty count following the recent action at a special forces camp north of Saigon has risen to 150 and press accounts indicate that the eventual total will be higher.

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4. Greece

Papandreou is becoming increasingly headstrong and intransigent as a result of the massive public demonstrations in his favor. The former premier is said to be convinced that he has a personal mandate and is therefore unwilling to consider any government which he does not control.

Prospects for parliamentary confirmation of the Novas cabinet continue to be poor and Papandreou seems determined to force new elections.

Late press reports indicate that large-scale demonstrations were held in Athens and Salonika again tonight. In the capital, several thousand university students demanding the recall of Papandreou had to be put down with tear gas, armored cars, and fire hoses.

5. East Germany

The East German Air Force may be developing a capability to harass US helicopters if the US resumes flights over East Berlin. On 19 July, East German fighters for the first time were noticed practicing attacks on one of their helicopters near Berlin.

The Soviets, however, have never permitted the East Germans to interfere with Allied flights and there are no other indications that they intend to do so.

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6. Dominican Republic

Leaders of two of the extreme rebel groups are saying that they will continue to fight in order to force the US to maintain its military presence in the Dominican Republic.

The pro-Peiping and pro-Castro factions contend that if they can establish a viable guerrilla movement, the US will be compelled to send in more troops and this will "awaken other movements in Latin America" and cause the US to "spread a thinner line around the world."

These are the same two groups that collaborated in the raid on San Francisco de Marcoris late last month.

[redacted] the Castro-oriented group is now about to mount further guerrilla raids in the area of San Jose de Ocoa, west of Santo Domingo.

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There is some hope for ending the sugar mill strike at La Romana where 18,000 people have been out of work. The union leaders--whose imprisonment touched off the strike--have been released, and negotiations are now under way between the union and the mill management.

7. Japan

Local elections in Tokyo tomorrow may produce an embarrassing setback for Prime Minister Sato's Liberal Democrats.

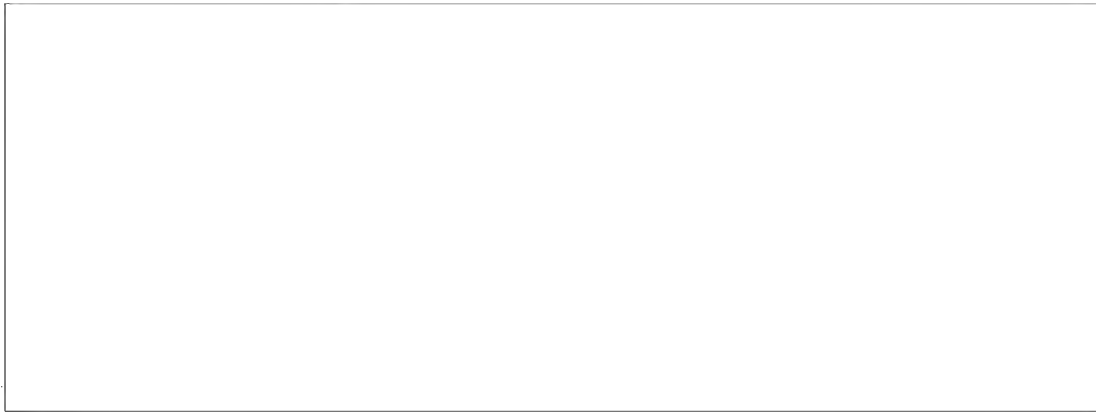
The special elections follow the recent dissolution of the municipal assembly because of a vote-buying and bribery scandal involving several Liberal Democratic representatives.

Sato is clearly on the defensive; his party lost out in another Tokyo election recently. He is now saying that a reverse this time would affect world confidence in the country.

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